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In re Application of

Tsutomu Muraoka et al.

Serial No.: 09/255,344

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For: MAGNET HOLDER FOR A SPOKE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant brings the attached patents to the Examiner's attention and requests that they be made of record in this application. Also attached is a completed PTO-1449 form.

Japanese Patent No. 7-23692 discloses a bicycle monitoring device having a sensor 28 that is mounted to the frame of the bicycle 34 via a fastening strap. The magnetic sensor 26 is attached between a pair of spokes as best seen in Figure 7.

The Cateye General Catalog, Cycle Accessories discloses various bicycle monitoring devices and various types of magnets that attach to the spokes. Magnet Model No. 166-5120 is attached to a pair of spokes via a threaded fastener and a pair of housing members. Magnet Model Nos. 169-6070 and 169-6075 are attached to a single spoke in substantially the same manner as disclosed in U.S. Patent No. 5,089,775. However, the magnet Model No. 169-6070 is especially designed for a plain round spoke, while magnet Model No. 169-6075 is designed for a flat spoke.

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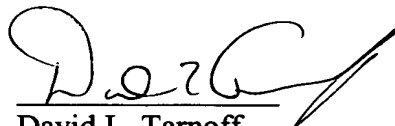
Related Applications

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
09/255,345	Magnetic Assembly for a Bicycle Monitoring Device	February 23, 1999
09/280,822	Noise Reduction for a Bicycle Spoke, Especially Useful as a Magnetic Device	March 30, 1999

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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